

Building these resources represents a significant economic opportunity for businesses in the state, creating local jobs and stimulating economic development. However, because of outdated and unnecessary regulations, more than half of interested business owners and municipalities cannot reduce their electric costs by installing solar on their premises.

As a result of these and other constraints, Connecticut is failing to meet its greenhouse gas emission reduction targets and is forced to rely on grid-scale and out-of-state resources.

CT legislators can address this problem in this session by amending S.B. 176 to increase the cap on commercial solar from 50 to 100 megawatts (MW) and the cap on Shared Clean Energy Facilities (SCEF) from 25 to 50 MW.

Commercial solar gets sited on a business's premises, and reduces the need to take up farmland and forests. It is wasteful to use good agricultural land to create solar farms!

Local solar and storage create a more resilient and lower-cost electric grid. Raising these program caps can be done at negligible, short-term ratepayer cost.

Please support the expansion of S.B. 176 to increase the commercial caps!

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